

Portland, Ore – On Monday, Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.), a member of the House Ways and Means and Budget Committees, hailed the Port of Portland's new security measures. The Port of Portland partnered with GE Security to install new technology that integrates container security devices with a global information network to deter tampering, theft, and international terrorism.

"West Coast maritime trade volume is on the rise, so I am proud that the Port of Portland is a part of a new comprehensive approach to cargo security," said Congressman Earl Blumenauer. "With over ten million containers entering U.S. ports every year, this innovative approach is the kind of long term investment that will make businesses and Americans safer."

Congressman Blumenauer has consistently voted to improve the nation's container port security and has been a vocal advocate for addressing security gaps, particularly as West Coast marine trade volume continues to increase. The Port of Portland becomes the first West Coast port to comprehensively install the system, joining fifteen other ports worldwide that employ state-of-the-art technology to ensure cargo security.